BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Buncombe County Republican Party and their treasurers)			SE	NSITIVE
Randolph County Republican Executive Committee)				
Sixth Congressional District Republican Party)	MUR	4797 & MUF	R 4798	
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In the Matter of)				THE THE TAIL
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GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

I. BACKGROUND

On February 23, 1999, the Federal Election Commission agreed to enter into pre-probable cause conciliation with the Randolph County Republican Executive Committee ("Randolph Committee"), the Sixth Congressional District Republican Party (or "6th District") and the Buncombe County Republican Party ("Buncombe Committee") and their respective treasurers.

Counsel for the Buncombe Committee has requested an extension of until April 20, 1999, to reach an agreement. Thus, at the conclusion of the negotiations with the Buncombe Committee, this Office will present the Commission with a separate General Counsel's Report concerning that committee.

II. DISCUSSION OF PRE-PROBABLE CAUSE CONCILIATION

Accordingly, this Office recommends that the attached signed agreements be accepted. In MUR 4798, this Office recommends that the file be closed at it pertains to the Randolph Committee. This Office is engaged in continued negotiations with the remaining respondents in MUR 4798, Buncombe County. *See supra* page 1. As MUR 4797 involves only the 6th District, this Office also recommends that the file in that matter be closed.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

MUR 4798

- 1. Accept the attached agreement with the Randolph County Republican Executive Committee and Laverne A. Williams, as treasurer, and close the file in MUR 4798 as it pertains to them.
 - 2. Approve the appropriate letter.

MUR 4797

1. Accept the attached agreement with the Sixth Congressional District Republican Party, and Collette Hoover, as treasurer.

- 2. Close the file in MUR 4797.
- 3. Approve the appropriate letter.

Lawrence M. Noble General Counsel

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BY:

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Attachments

- 1. Signed agreement with the 6th District
- 2. Signed agreement with Randolph Committee
- 3. Letter from counsel, March 24, 1999

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